**Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* May I know whether any analysis has been made about these mosquitoes?

**Mr. President:** Yes, and this is the result. Before these methods were employed, an analysis of the mosquitoes was made and 60 per cent were found to be of the stegomyia type. After that, a further analysis was made after a period of six months and the percentage has been reduced from 60 per cent to 20 per cent.

**Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* The mosquitoes have not in any way decreased.

## AREA OF LANDS IN THE FORE-SHORE, MATTANCHERI— PARTICULARS REGARDING

**481. Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* Will the Government be pleased to inform.—

(*a*) the exact extent of the area lying between the back-waters on the east, the Women and Children's Hospital, Mattancheri on the south, the main Mattancheri Bazaar road on the west and the Harbour workshop on the north;

(*b*) the tenures on which the above area is held by the occupants thereof, according to the Land Register;

(*c*) (*i*) how many acres of this area belong to Government and what does the Government get annually from the Government lands in the occupation of others now,

(*ii*) how many acres of this area belong to the Paliam and what is the revenue the Paliam pays for the land held by them,

(*iii*) how many acres of this are held in *jenmam*, *Pandaravaka Verumpattam*, *Inam* or *Puravaka*, and

(*iv*) revenue derived by Government from these lands held by private individuals;

(*d*) has the Government or the harbour authorities ever surveyed this fore-shore of Mattancheri;

(*e*) what would be the cost of running a straight fore-shore wall along the entire eastern length of the area mentioned in question No. (*a*);

(*f*) what would be the cost of building landing facilities alongside of the foreshore wall to its entire length to

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facilitate unloading of goods from ordinary country boats, vallams and lighters ;

(*g*) is the Government aware of the growth of vehicular traffic and the narrowness of the present Mattancheri Main Bazaar road and the congestion existing on the road that runs north to south along the entire length of the western boundary of the above-stated are amentioned in question No. (*a*)?

**Mr. P. J. George** *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) 17 acres and 12 457/480 cents.

(*b*) *Pandaravaka Verumpattam.*
*Pandaravaka Kanam.*
*Puravaka.*
*Inam.*
Ground rent.
Lease and license.

(*c*) (*i*) Area belonging to Government 11 acres 87 181/480 cents.
Income Rs. 2,077—10—4.

(*ii*) Extent 1 acre 98 21/32.
Revenue Rs. 282—3—9.

(*iii*)

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|---|---|
| *Pandaravaka Verumpattam* | 0·02. |
| ,, *Kanam* | 0·35. |
| *Puravaka* | 3·20. |
| *Inam* | 1·00. |
| Ground rent | 9·70 5/8. |
| Lease and license | 2·16 361/480 |
| Other *porambokes* | 0·68 23/40 |
| Total | 17 acres 12 457/480 cents. |

(*iv*)

| | Rs. | A. | P. |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Pandaravaka Verumpattam* | 0— | 4— | 4 |
| ,, *Kanam* | 3— | 3— | 4 |
| *Puravaka* | 1— | 2— | 7 |
| *Inam* | 0— | 8— | 6 |

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|---|---|
| Ground rent | 1,147—10—0 |
| Lease and license | 930— 0—4 |
| Total | 2,082—13—1 |

(*d*) Portions of the area have been inspected in connection with the construction of rat-proof godowns.

(*e*) & (*f*) The cost would be considerably high and is not possible of being ascertained without a detailed investigation by a special staff.

(*g*) Yes.

## WATER TAX—ERNAKULAM AND MATTANCHERI MUNICIPALITIES

**482. Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the amount of water tax collected in Ernakulam Municipality ; and

(*b*) what is the amount of water tax collected in Mattancheri ?

**Mr. P. J. George** *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Rs. 11,647—0—11 (including current and arrears).

(*b*) Rs. 45,038—10—11.

The above figures relate to 1114.

**Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* You collect from Mattancheri Rs. 45,038 as water tax, while from Ernakulam, you collect only Rs. 11,647. You get four times the amount of money from Mattancheri, and you give only one-fourth of the water that you give to Ernakulam. That is what I say.

**Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Cheruthuruthi):* Are these amounts not collected by the Municipality?

**Mr. President:** Mattancheri pays only for the actual quantity of water they consume.

**Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* My point is the people of Mattancheri pay Rs. 45,000 while the people in Ernakulam pay only Rs. 11,600. We pay four times the water tax paid by Ernakulam and we get only one-fourth the quantity of water that is given to Ernakulam.

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon** *(Chief Engineer):* I think there is some mistake with regard to this. When this original answer was supplied, the consumption was about two lakhs, but now

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